

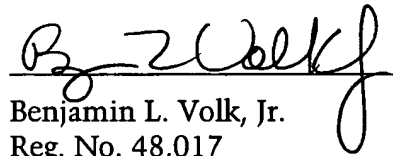
**Remarks:**

Pending in this application at the time of the October 4, 2004 Office Action were claims 1-61. By this amendment, (1) claims 1-49 remain unchanged, (2) claims 50-61 have been canceled, and (3) claims 62-73 have been added. By this amendment, the remaining claims in the application are claims 1-49 and 62-73. No new matter has been added.

With respect to the Restriction requirement, Applicant has chosen to elect claims 1-49, without traversal pursuant to CFR 1.142. As a result, Applicant has canceled claims 50-61.

On the basis of these amendments, Applicant reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of the canceled claims in a divisional or continuation-in-part patent application. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided. Favorable action is respectfully requested.

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